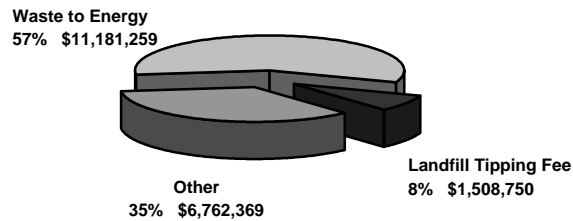
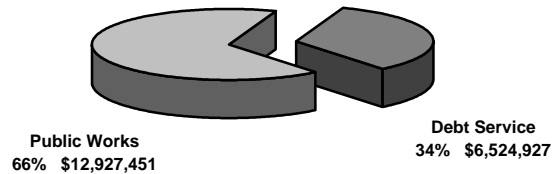


**SOLID WASTE SERVICES REVENUES**  
Fiscal Year 2006 - 2007  
**TOTAL APPROVED BUDGET \$19,452,378**



**SOLID WASTE SERVICES APPROPRIATIONS**  
Fiscal Year 2006 - 2007  
**TOTAL APPROVED BUDGET \$19,452,378**



<b>FY 06 APPROVED BUDGET</b>	<b>\$17,608,924</b>	<b>FY 07 APPROVED BUDGET</b>	<b>\$19,452,378</b>	<b>CHANGE</b>	<b>\$1,843,454</b>
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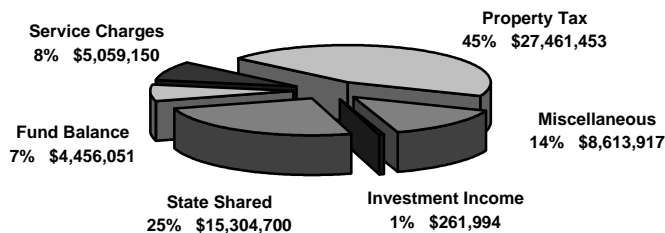
The Solid Waste Services account records direct revenue and expenses pertaining to the County's management of the disposal of solid waste. The County's Environmental Affairs Division of the Department of Public Works manages the Harford Waste Disposal Center (HWDC), also known as Scarboro Landfill. Staff, their ancillary expenses and the Center's operating costs are funded with Solid Waste Services revenue derived from tipping fees; the disposal of tires, batteries, scrap metal, and other items; and from the sale of mulch and compost produced by recycling yard waste. Two Laborer positions are created due to workload and are slightly offset with a reduction in Temporary Salaries for a net increase of \$25,976. Additional funding is included for the FY 07 wage package of a Step and a 3% COLA \$99,402, an anticipated 10% increase in the cost of health care coverage \$33,918, and adjustments to Workers Compensation and Pension rates \$37,320. An allocation of \$750,000 is provided to commence an out of County disposal program which will extend the remaining service life of existing landfill cells. Over \$1.1 million is needed to secure various pieces of large equipment used at the landfill, originally purchased on a 5 year buy-back agreement, as well as vehicles meeting the criteria of the County's vehicle replacement policy.

The County, through the Northeast Maryland Waste Disposal Authority (NMWDA) has entered into a lease purchase and retrofitting of the Waste-to-Energy Plant. The debt service, combined with the management fees for the operation and maintenance of the facility account for an increase of \$389,934 in the Solid Waste Management budget for FY 07.

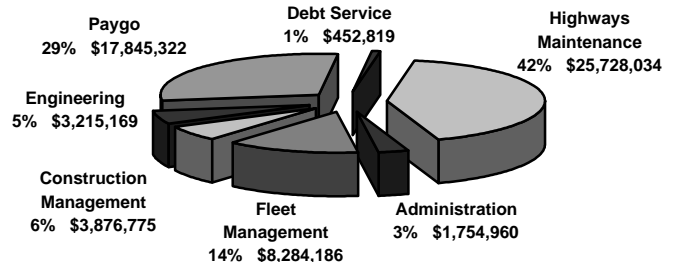
	FY 06	FY 07	Change
Waste to Energy Facility Expenses	\$7,639,907	\$7,654,300	\$14,393
Principal Payments	\$4,525,000	\$5,093,875	\$568,875
Interest Payments	\$1,394,386	\$1,201,052	(\$193,334)

Avenues for imposing fees are limited by law and the marketplace; resulting in a need for \$4,724,980 in General Fund support, an increase of \$594,469 from FY 06.

**HIGHWAYS FUND REVENUES**  
Fiscal Year 2006 - 2007  
**TOTAL APPROVED BUDGET \$61,157,265**



**HIGHWAYS FUND APPROPRIATIONS**  
Fiscal Year 2006 - 2007  
**TOTAL APPROVED BUDGET \$61,157,265**



<b>FY 06 APPROVED BUDGET</b>	<b>\$54,472,796</b>	<b>FY 07 APPROVED BUDGET</b>	<b>\$61,157,265</b>	<b>CHANGE</b>	<b>\$6,684,469</b>
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The Highways Fund is required by County Code to account for dedicated revenues that are restricted to expenses relating to the maintenance, care and repair of roads and bridges located outside the boundaries of the three incorporated municipalities in Harford County; traffic patrol and highway safety; and County related transportation expenses. Funds are principally derived from a County Property Tax differential, State Shared Highways Users Tax revenues, charges for services and Intra-County revenues.

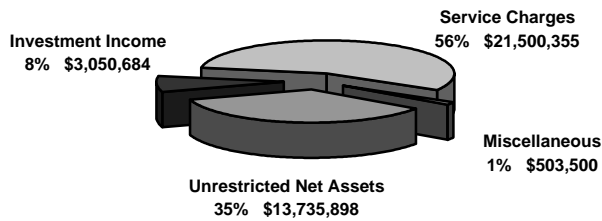
A motor vehicle fuel tax, motor vehicle registration fees, a share of the motor vehicle titling tax and a share of the corporate income tax, are designated by the State of Maryland as Highways User Revenues. The State shares 30% of these revenues with the counties and municipalities to help fund the construction and maintenance of local roads. The distribution is made according to a formula based on locally maintained road mileage and vehicle registrations.

Additional Highways Fund expenses for FY 07 are the net result of the wage package of a Step and a 3% COLA \$746,228; the 10% anticipated increase in health care costs \$223,782, and an adjustment to the Workers' Compensation rate \$241,369. To sustain our efforts in the notably high quality maintenance of our roads allocations for contractual dig outs and patching \$500,000, curb repairs and handicapped ramps \$220,000, and grounds maintenance to include island mowing \$918,000 are appropriated for FY 07. An additional \$1,750,000 is included to cover the anticipated increase in gasoline and diesel fuel purchased by the Highway Fund, but used by and charged back to all County departments.

Pay-as-you-go funding increases \$2,260,322 for a total \$17,845,322 to cover projects included in the FY 07 Approved Capital Budget which provides for twelve bridge, fifteen road, and three resurfacing projects, improvements to intersections, new roads and storm drains, installation of replacement guardrails computer equipment, facility repairs, drainage improvements, culvert rehabilitation, installation of security gates and equipment sheds at highways facilities traffic signals, and traffic calming and road safety improvements.

Though Highways Funds are limited to certain types of expenditures, the Traffic Safety Unit of the Sheriff's Office and Board of Education Transportation expenses meet the qualifications. For FY 07, the Sheriff's Office Traffic Safety Unit will be supported by \$765,169, the Board of Education Transportation operating expenses with \$2 million in Highways Funds, and \$1,120,000 is appropriated to secure Board of Education buses.

**WATER & SEWER OPERATING FUND REVENUES**  
Fiscal Year 2006 - 2007  
**TOTAL APPROVED BUDGET \$38,790,437**



**FY 06 APPROVED BUDGET**

**\$38,924,465**

**FY 07 APPROVED BUDGET**

**\$38,790,437**

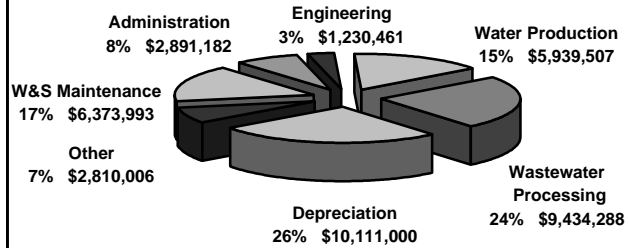
**CHANGE (\$134,028)**

The Water and Sewer Operating Fund was established as a self-sustaining utility to account for water and sewer services provided by Harford County Government. For the purpose of securing revenue to maintain, repair and operate its water supply, sewerage or drainage systems, and other expenses, including depreciation allowances, the County is authorized by the Charter to make various service charges for water, sewer and drainage service and a charge for water used, and may impose late fees on bills that remain unpaid. Revenue is also generated by both Water and Sewer User Charges for: tests and inspections, design review construction meter rental, hydrant charges, job/shop repair orders, meter installations, Miss Utility charges to locate water and sewer lines for developers industrial waste permits, plus interest and penalties.

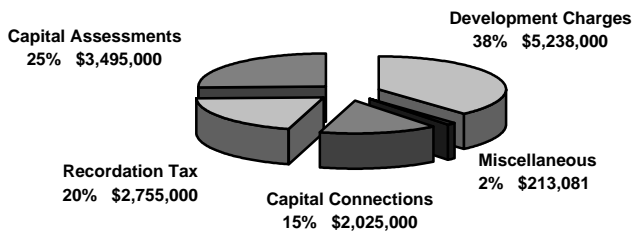
Although less funding is appropriated for FY 07, sufficient funds are provided to cover the cost of the County's FY 07 wage package of a merit step + 3% COLA \$633,224; increase in electricity costs needed to operate all water and sewer facilities \$370,603; additional funds for maintenance of aging plants and facilities \$300,200; and an additional allocation for chemicals based on the market increases \$190,930. Depreciation on completed capital projects increases \$311,000.

While Pay-as-you-go funds for capital projects is reduced by \$2.2 million from the FY 06 level, \$1,225,000 is included for: tank painting; the design, construction and / or installation of water mains, controls, and safety improvements; to secure an information asset management system; and replacement of and improvements to pump stations, lines and parallels.

**WATER & SEWER OPERATING FUND APPROPRIATIONS**  
Fiscal Year 2006 - 2007  
**TOTAL APPROVED BUDGET \$38,790,437**



**WATER & SEWER DEBT SERVICE FUND REVENUES**  
Fiscal Year 2006 - 2007  
**TOTAL APPROVED BUDGET \$13,726,081**



**FY 06 APPROVED BUDGET**

**\$18,399,899**

**FY 07 APPROVED BUDGET**

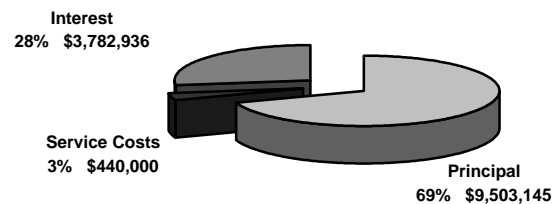
**\$13,726,081**

**CHANGE (\$4,673,818)**

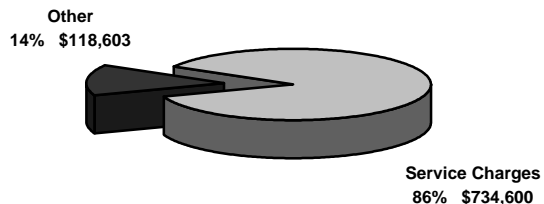
The Water & Sewer Debt Service Fund provides appropriation authority for the payment of principal and interest on long-term water and sewer bonds and loan: used to finance the capital projects of the County-owned Water and Sewer System. Revenues for the funds are derived from: water and/or sewer connections development charges; Recordation Tax receipts; Biological Nutrient Removal fees; septic system permits; surcharges or assessments on specific projects; investment income; plus interest and penalties.

The decrease in funding for FY 07 is a result of the replicate schedule of principal and interest payments for the total water and sewer fund

**WATER & SEWER DEBT SERVICE FUND APPROPRIATIONS**  
Fiscal Year 2006 - 2007  
**TOTAL APPROVED BUDGET \$13,726,081**



**PARKS & RECREATION SPECIAL REVENUES**  
Fiscal Year 2006 - 2007  
**TOTAL APPROVED BUDGET \$853,203**



**FY 06 APPROVED BUDGET**

**\$793,820**

**FY 07 APPROVED BUDGET**

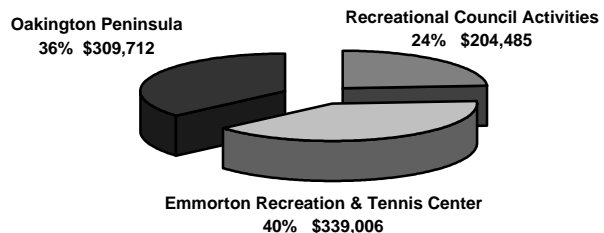
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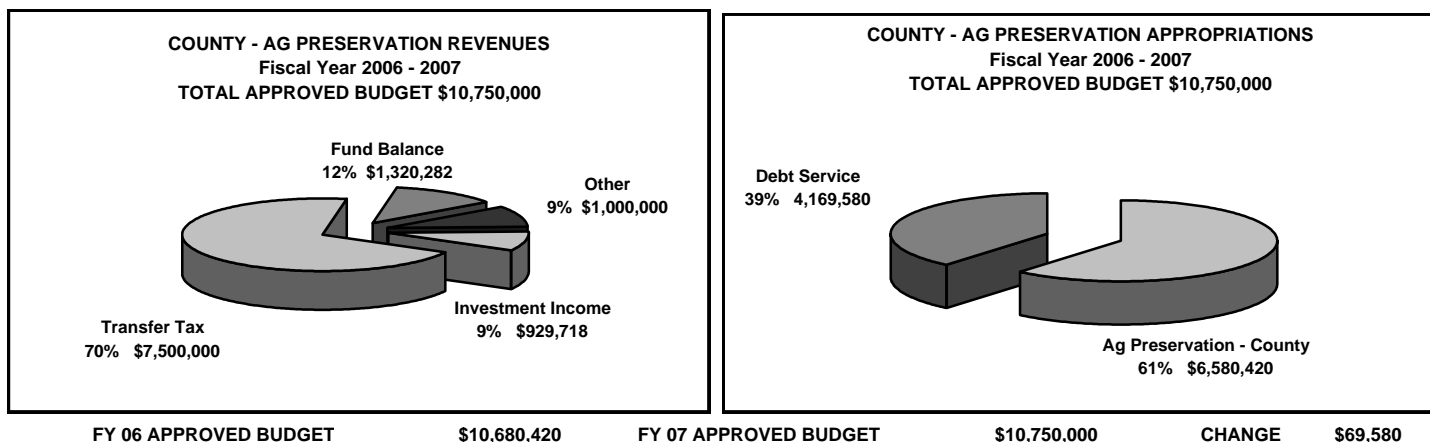
**CHANGE \$59,383**

Parks & Recreation Special Fund Revenues are derived from fees, rentals of and/or contributions to the Emmorton Recreation & Tennis Center, the Oakington Peninsula, the McFaul Senior / Youth Center's skateboard facility, and the Showmobile, as well as special Recreation Council activities such as the sale of amusement park discount tickets, basketball tournaments, lacrosse and wrestling summer camps, etc.

Temporary salaries are increased in FY 07 to provide for a Program Manager at Edgeley Grove and a bookkeeper / scheduler for the Emmorton Recreation & Tennis Center \$28,571, the FY 07 wage package \$16,505, and additional funds for the anticipated increase in heating fuel costs \$19,850

**PARKS & RECREATION SPECIAL REVENUE APPROPRIATIONS**  
Fiscal Year 2006 - 2007  
**TOTAL APPROVED BUDGET \$853,203**

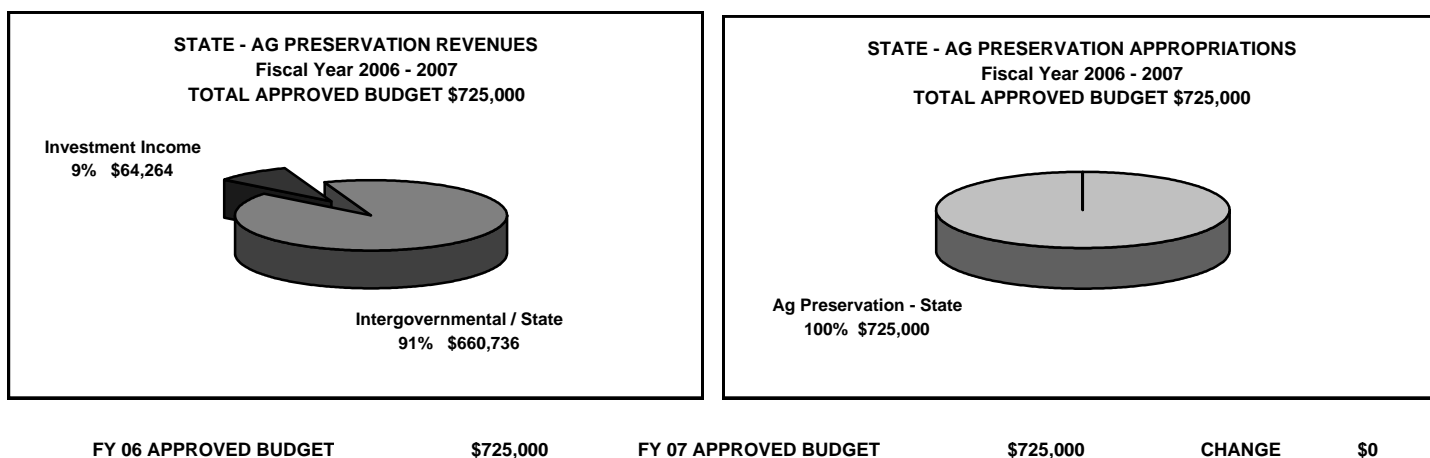




County Council Bill No. 93-3 added Article IV, Transfer Tax, to Chapter 123, Finance and Taxation, of the Harford County Code which imposes a 1% Transfer Tax on any instrument of writing that conveys title to, or a leasehold interest in, real property, effective July 1, 1993. The proceeds are to be distributed:

- o 50% to the County's Agricultural Land Preservation Program
- o 50% to fund school site acquisition, school construction, or school debt service

The Harford County Agricultural Land Preservation Program was established in 1993 to preserve productive agricultural land and woodland which provide for the continued production of food and fiber for the County, by allowing land owners to preserve farmland for future generations via conservation easements. The County, using primarily Transfer Tax revenue, enters into installment contracts to purchase development rights; the landowners receive payments and/or a tax credit. To this end, funds are increased for agricultural preservation purchases and the debt service payments on them.



Intergovernmental Revenues, for the State Agricultural Preservation Fund, come from the State Agricultural Land Transfer Tax, imposed on all transfers of title or agricultural land taken out of production. The Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation (MALPF) was created in 1977 by the Maryland General Assembly to preserve productive agricultural land and woodland, via the Purchase of Development Rights, to provide for the continued production of food and fiber for all citizens of the State and to curb the random expansion of urban development. Investment Income revenue is projected based on actual receipt history and an anticipated growth in interest rates.

MALPF, along with the Maryland Department of Planning, co-administers the Certification of Local Agricultural Land Preservation Programs. Local subdivisions are required to collect the revenue generated by the State Agricultural Land Transfer Tax; these funds are then shared with the local jurisdictions as follows:

- ♦ Maryland counties, without Certified Agricultural Land Preservation Programs are required to remit two-thirds of the revenue to MALPF. They retain one-third for agricultural land preservation purposes.
- ♦ Counties that have a Certified Local Agricultural Land Preservation Program may retain 75% of the Agricultural Transfer Tax collected, for preservation purposes, and are required to remit only 25% to the Foundation.

Harford County's Agricultural Land Preservation Program is Certified. For FY 07 it is projected that the County will collect \$880,980 in State Agricultural Land Transfer Tax receipts. \$220,244 will be remitted to the State and the County will retain \$660,736.

\$30,000 of this revenue will be used by the County to offset the salary and benefits of a Planner III, who serves as Harford County's Program Administrator.

The remaining \$695,000 will be Harford County's match to MALPF for easement purchases the foundation will make on the County's behalf, demonstrating the Administration's commitment to preserving Harford County's farmland.

The County's success is demonstrated by the fact that as of June, 2006 the County will have purchased 39,500 acres of farmland through County and State Agricultural Preservation Programs.